

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 22 – HB 28

February 20, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Adds “administrative law judge” to the list of law enforcement officers authorized to carry firearms at all times and in all places in Tennessee except when prohibited by law. Requires the judge to complete 40 hours of initial training and 8 hours of annual in-service training administered by an instructor with certification from the Tennessee Correction Academy's firearms instructor program or from a police firearms instructor training program conducted or sanctioned by the Federal Bureau of Investigation or the National Rifle Association in order to qualify for such authorization. Requires the Secretary of State to provide an identification card certifying that the judge is authorized to carry a firearm which shall be valid as long as the judge is vested and employed by the agency. Creates a Class C misdemeanor for a person to knowingly fail to return an identification card within 10 days following termination of employment.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to the Secretary of State, identification cards without a photo can be produced within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- Any increase in the number of handgun carry permits issued by the Department of Safety will not be significant.
- The Department of Correction will have an increase in expenditures if Administrative Law Judges choose to complete training at the Tennessee Correction Academy. Any increase in the number of participants in a class will be not significant and can be handled within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for failure to return an identification card for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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